

Co-Chairs Senator Cohen and Representative Gresko, Vice Chairs Senator Slap and Representative Palm,
Honorable members of the Environment Committee:

I was disgusted to learn that the legislature was again considering allowing rabbits to be factory farmed and slaughtered for food in this state as part of HB5295 with the same language that was in HB5263 which already had a public hearing on March 1st.

Expanding the scope of such business in this day and age when legions of organizations and individuals are fighting to eliminate puppy mills and all manner of cruelty in the businesses of animal testing and animal agricultural production around the country moves the state in the opposite, and wrong direction.

Further, I question the ability of Connecticut's already overburdened DOA to inspect and enforce humane practices in new facilities.

Please don't let this effort go any farther.

Thank you for your consideration.

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